## **Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

(Previously Presented) A paint container, comprising:

 a body having a bottom, a plurality of side walls, and a top;
 an attachment mechanism located proximate the top, the attachment

mechanism being offset from a center of the top of the body and defining an opening;
a cap configured to be secured to the attachment mechanism;

a spout extending upward proximate the top and at least partially surrounded by the attachment mechanism, the spout permitting paint to be poured from the paint container;

a handle being pivotally attached to the body at two pivot points defining a pivot line extending through the center of the top of the body; and

a channel located between the attachment mechanism and the spout, wherein paint spilled into the channel is directed into an interior of the body.

- 2. (Previously Presented) The paint container of claim 1, further including a channel opening adjacent the channel through which the paint flows back into the container.
- 3. (Original) The paint container of claim 2, wherein the spout is sized to permit entry of at least a two inch brush into the container.
  - 4. (Cancelled)
  - 5. (Cancelled)
  - 6. (Cancelled)
- 7. (Previously Presented) The paint container of claim 1, further comprising a second handle formed into one or more of the plurality of side walls.
  - 8. (Canceled)

- 9. (Cancelled)
- 10. (Currently Amended) The paint container of claim 13 claim 43, wherein the splash guard extends upward from the top of the body proximate the spout.
- 11. (Currently Amended) The paint container of elaim 13 claim 1, wherein the body is constructed of plastic.
  - 12. (Cancelled)
- 13. (Currently Amended) <u>The paint container of claim 1, wherein A stackable paint container, comprising:</u>

a body having a bottom, a plurality of side walls, and a top;

a spout extending from the top;

a splash guard disposed proximate the spout and being located completely within a periphery defined by the side walls; and

a cap the cap is sized to function as a paint holder.

- 14. (Cancelled)
- 15. (Currently Amended) The paint container of claim 1, wherein A stackable paint container, comprising:

a body having a bottom, a plurality of side walls, and a top;

a spout extending from the top;

a splash guard disposed proximate the spout and being located completely within a periphery defined by the side walls; and

a second the handle is attached to the top.

- 16. (Previously Presented) A paint container, comprising:
  - a body having a bottom, a plurality of side walls, and a top;
  - a raised portion extending from the top;
- a spout proximate the top and located within the raised portion, the spout defining a pouring direction;
  - a first handle located proximate the side walls; and
- a second handle pivotally secured proximate the top and attached to the body along a line perpendicular to the pouring direction, the second handle being attached to the body at pivots spaced from the raised portion.
- 17. (Previously Presented) The paint container of claim 16, wherein the second handle is movable from a first position, in which a portion of the second handle is located in a depression in the top.
- 18. (Original) The paint container of claim 17, wherein the first handle is located in a corner of the body.
- 19. (Original) The paint container of claim 18, wherein the spout is located adjacent a corner of the body opposite the first handle.
  - 20. (Currently Amended) A paint container, comprising:

a body having a bottom, a plurality of side walls, and a top, the top including a flat region; and

a spout extending from the flat region and substantially surrounded by an attachment mechanism;

wherein the plurality of sides form a circumference that is noncircular; an integral handle formed within the body; and

- a second pivotal handle having a center portion removably received within a depression on the top proximate the integral handle.
- 21. (Original) The paint container of claim 20, further comprising an open channel formed through the top permitting spilled paint to flow into the paint container.

- 22. (Original) The paint container of claim 20, further comprising a splash guard disposed proximate the spout.
- 23. (Original) The paint container of claim 20, wherein the body is constructed of plastic.
  - 24. (Cancelled)
- 25. (Currently Amended) The paint container of claim 20, further comprising a wherein the integral handle is formed into one or more of the plurality of side walls.
- 26. (Currently Amended) The paint container of claim 20, further comprising a wherein the second pivotal handle is attached to the top.

## 27-35. (Cancelled)

- 36. (Previously Presented) The paint container of Claim 1, wherein the cap includes a periphery having a plurality of finger grip recesses located therein.
- 37. (Previously Presented) The paint container of Claim 7, wherein the cap includes a periphery having a plurality of finger grip recesses located therein.
- 38. (Previously Presented) The paint container of claim 20, wherein the integral handle is formed within the side walls of the body.
- 39. (Previously Presented) The paint container of claim 1, further comprising a paint within an interior of the body.
  - 40. (Cancelled)
- 41. (Previously Presented) The paint container of claim 16, further comprising a paint within an interior of the body.
- 42. (Previously Presented) The paint container of claim 20, further comprising a paint within an interior of the body.

43. (New) The paint container of claim 1, further comprising a splash guard disposed proximate the spout.